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WASHINGTON, TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 23, 1917.

SENATE ASKED
TO DEBATE ON
PEACE SPEECHCummins Introduces Resolution
to Take Up Wilson's Mes-
sage Monday.

DISCUSSION THEN PUT OFF

Planks From Democratic Plat-
forms on Executive's Rights
Brought In.Senator Cummins of Iowa offered
a resolution in the Senate today ask-
ing that the President's address to
the Senate yesterday be brought up
for discussion by members of the
Senate Monday.Senator Cummins stated it would
be impossible for the Senate to take
any official action on the question in-
volved in the President's message
until the President had submitted
plans for entering into the world's
peace tribunal, to the Senate.Cummins' resolution asks that
every member of the Senate be given
an opportunity Monday to express his
views, with an hour limitation on
speeches.

Withdrawal Suggestion.

Senator Stone suggested that the
resolution be referred to the Com-
mittee on Foreign Relations, but
later withdrew his suggestion when it
was decided to delay further dis-
cussion of the resolution until to-
morrow.Immediately after Cummins offered
his resolution, Senator Jones of
Washington, Republican, asked that
sections of the Democratic platform
of 1904 and 1912 relating to "execu-
tive usurpation" and "rights of the
States" be read.That section of the platform relat-
ing to executive usurpation follows:

Section on Usurpation.

"We favor the nomination and elec-
tion of a President imbued with the
principles of the Constitution, who
will set his face sternly against
executive usurpation of legislative
and judicial functions, whether that
usurpation be veiled under the guise
of legislative construction of existing
laws, or whether it take refuge in
the tyrannical use of necessity or su-
perior wisdom."That section referring to the rights
of the States reads:"We believe in the preservation and
maintenance in their full strength and
integrity of the three co-ordinate
branches of the Federal Government
the executive, the legislative, and
the judicial—each keeping within its
own bounds and not encroaching
upon the just powers of either of
the others."Following the reading by the clerk
of the platform sections, the Senate,
without further discussion of the
President's message, resumed the
regular morning business.

Sensation Created.

Official Washington is awaiting
with much curiosity and no little
anxiety the first official response
from abroad to President Wilson's
spectacular address.That his utterances will create a
profound sensation throughout the
world is accepted as a matter of
course, and that there will be re-
sponses, prompt and more or less
definite in character, is taken for
granted.The fact that the President, even
before he made his address, caused
it to be cabled to every American
legation and embassy in Europe, with
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FOR FEDERAL STEEL PLANT

Secretary Daniels Admits Navy
Department Is Considering Plan.A Federal steel plant, to supply the
needs of the United States navy, is
under consideration by the Navy
Department, Secretary of the Navy
Daniels admitted today.The recent pronounced underbid-
ding of Haddfield, a British munitions
concern, in open competition with
American firms for the supply of ar-
mor-piercing projectiles for the navy,
is understood to have impressed the
Department with the need for a
Federal steel plant.

FLOOD DANGER PASSES

Allegheny River Begins to Recede
From High Mark.PITTSBURGH, Jan. 23.—Danger of
a serious flood here passed early to-
day when the Allegheny river began
to recede from the high water mark
of twenty-five feet two inches, reached
at 2 o'clock. At 9 o'clock it had
fallen to twenty-two feet.Three hundred houses on the north
side were partially under water; the
Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks
were submerged in the same section
of the city. In the Monongahela, and
Turtle Creek valleys many homes and
industrial plants were partially inun-
dated. About 1,300 men were thrown
temporarily out of work in Braddock,
McKeesport, and Turtle Creek.

BRITISH ATTACK REPULSED.

BERLIN (via Sayville wireless),
Jan. 23.—Repulse of British detach-
ments advancing against German
positions northwest of Fromelles, and
a successful reconnoitering raid by
Bavarian regiments northeast of Ar-
mentieres, were reported in today's
official statement. The Bavarians
brought prisoners and machine guns
back after entering the enemy
trenches. Elsewhere on the western
front a haze hampered artillery and
flyer activities.SECRET OF LATEST
PEACE MOVE KEPTMessage Wilson Delivered to
Senate Was Sent Abroad
a Week Ago.When President Wilson sent to
American diplomats in belligerent
countries copies of the address he de-
livered before the Senate yesterday,
he established a new record in long
distance secrecy.The text of the speech was sent out
from Washington a week ago yester-
day. The same day Washington cor-
respondents were officially informed
this Government had nothing in mind
as to another step in the international
peace game.It was stated flatly the President
would take no action which might be
construed as "butting into" the Euro-
pean peace conference.The President did not lay his plans
to address the Senate until he had
received word from every belligerent
capital that the address had reached
the American representatives there,
the last to be heard from was Am-
bassador Elihu in Constantinople.Foreign diplomats in Washington
had copies of the President's address
to the Senate some time before its
delivery, Secretary Lansing an-
nounced today.BRYAN ATTACKS
WILSON'S SPEECHSays President Has Sown
"Wheat and Tares Together"
in Peace Plea.MADISON, Wis., Jan. 23.—William
Jennings Bryan is opposed to the
proposition of the United States join-
ing a league of nations to enforce
peace.Commenting on President Wilson's
speech before the Senate today, he
said, "a wonderful eloquent appeal to
the nations at war," but said the
President had sown "wheat and tares
together" and expressed the hope that
the Senate would "reject the tares."

Interference Unnecessary.

"Insofar as the President's speech
suggests the terms of agreement, it
is entirely sound and reflects what I
believe to be an almost unanimous
sentiment," said Bryan. "But I dis-
sent entirely from the proposition
that this nation should join in en-
forcement of peace in Europe. If the
nations will agree to peace on the
terms suggested by the President they
will not need our assistance in forc-
ing it.""If I know the sentiment of the
American people it is inconceivable
that they should be willing to put the
American army and navy at the com-
mand of an international council,
which would necessarily be controlled
by European nations and allow that
council to decide for us when we
would go to war."Such an agreement, in my judgment
would imperil European peace instead
of insure it, because they would see
in our unlimited resources a means
of advancing their own interests with
us bearing the burden.

Calls Plan Inconsistent.

"I have more faith in our ability
to help them by example than I have
in our ability to help them by in-
terference in the European plan of re-
lying upon force and terrorism.""In the President's appeal to them
he presents the philosophy of broth-
erhood and co-operation, and this is
exactly what the European plan is
backed up by a larger display
of force."

GERMANS GAIN IN EAST

Push Back Foe in Roumanian Val-
leys, Says Berlin.BERLIN, via Sayville wireless, Jan.
23.—Capture of a hundred prisoners
in an engagement against Russo-Rou-
manian forces between the Slavic and
Punian rivers and the trench gar-
rison was announced in today's
official statement."Along the Duena and northwest
of Luck," the report asserted, "artillery
fire has temporarily increased."
The Russian army, the report said,
drove away a Russian raiding detach-
ment which at dawn had entered
our first line positions."At some places in the forest of the
Carpathians and on the frontier
mountains to Moldavia there were
lively artillery duels, the weather
being frosty and bright.""In Dobruja, Bulgarian troops
crossed the southern arm of the mouth
of the Danube near Tulcea, and main-
tained the north bank against Rus-
sian attacks."

ROUND ROBIN AS ISSUE

Question Whether It Helped Keep
Engineers on Border.Whether a round robin they sent
to Congressman Denver S. Church
had anything to do with the retention
of California engineers at the border
when other militiamen were
submerged in the same section
known only to War Department officials.Church said today he forwarded
the round robin to Secretary of War
Baker after some delay, and received
a reply saying the complaint of the
guardmen, asking that they be sent
home, would be investigated."I have no way of knowing whether
the round robin had anything to do
with the failure of the department
to include the California engineer
company in the draft home,"
Church said. "All I could do was to
forward the round robin, as I was
asked to do. I forwarded it after I
had been requested to hold it up
once, because many men wanted to
withdraw their names, and had been
told in a later letter from the com-
pany's attorneys that only two men
wanted to retract."'CHANGE TO BE
COMPELLED TO
DIVULGE NAMESCounsel for Leak Committee
Says He Will Take Up Every
Record If Necessary.

HEAD OF EXCHANGE GRILLED

Declares He Has No Authority
to Make Brokers Disclose
Customers' Profits.NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Unless the
officers of the New York stock ex-
change will voluntarily name names
which may or may not prove a "leak"
on the President's peace note, the
House Committee on Rules will take
means to make them.Sherman L. Whipple, of Boston,
counsel for the committee, told Henry
G. S. Noble, president of the exchange
and first witness at the inquiry at the
custom house today, that if this were
not done the committee would be
obliged to remain here much longer
and take up each broker's record
separately, in order to get "what it
can and will."President Noble hesitated. He asked
whether it would be necessary for
brokers to give up the names of their
customers. Whipple replied that these
would remain in the confidence of
the clearing house, except for such
"big names" as might, in the opinion
of the committee, disclose profit from
the alleged leak.

Declares He Has Authority.

Mr. Noble said that he had not the
authority to direct that this be done
himself, and that he would have to
consult the board of governors of the
exchange.During Noble's examination Mr.
Whipple asked: "What is a specula-
tor?""I should say," was the answer, "a
man who buys with the hope of mak-
ing a profit.""And what is manipulation?"
After failing to offer an explanation
sufficiently explicit to suit Mr. Whip-
ple, the exchange president said he
"did not understand what you mean.""Well," the lawyer retorted, "I hope
you will think it over carefully, for
the committee will go into that mat-
ter more specifically later."

Tells Exchange's History.

Noble traced the history of the
stock exchange, which he said was
"an unincorporated body of gentle-
men who operate on mutual agree-
ment."Whipple appeared particularly in-
terested in the "committee on busi-
ness conduct"—the stock exchange
body dealing with members' behavior
—and in the governing board, which
enforces rules.Noble said 400 to 500 houses, with
1,100 members, constitute the person-
nel.The early questions covered mem-
bership, privileges, operation of the
exchange and other routine matters.

Word Picture of Mart.

After some of the preliminaries, No-
ble gave a word picture of the mart—
the trading pillars, with busy brokers,
making big deals on verbal records,
later noted in brokerage house rec-
ords and settled the following day.The exchange itself keeps no rec-
ords of the transactions, though tele-
graph operators gather the sales and
put them on a stock "ticker," Noble
said.The clearing house, however, gets a
sheet daily from brokerage houses,
showing the main purchases and sale
of securities.Whipple dug into the fundamentals
down to the last details, even inquir-
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O'LEARY PRAISES WILSON

Former Critic of President Now
Sends Congratulations.NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Jeremiah A.
O'Leary, president of the American
Trade Union Society, has sent President
Wilson a telegram, saying in part:"Our country is to be congratulated
upon your true presentation of Ameri-
canism to the world.""I would consider myself recreant
to every activity in which I have en-
gaged, in every word I have uttered
and written on the matter, if, in view
of all that has been said and done, I
did not commend your twentieth cen-
tury promulgation of Americanism to
the world.""The document is the greatest
American paper since Lincoln's Em-
ancipation Proclamation. It is my
earnest wish and I know the wish
of every member of our society—that
it may re-establish truth and justice
in the world."During the Presidential campaign
Mr. O'Leary sent to the President a
telegram asking him to sever all con-
nections with the violation of American
neutrality and charging Mr. Wilson
with being pro-ally. The President
replied as follows:"Your telegram received. I should
feel mortified to have you or
anybody like you vote for me. Since
you have access to many disloyal
Americans and I have not, I will ask
you to convey this message to them."

EXPLOSION KILLS 69

Munitions Plant Disaster Injures

400 Others.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Sixty-nine per-
sons were killed, seventy-two seriously
injured and 328 slightly hurt in the
explosion of a munitions plant in
the neighborhood of London last
Friday, according to official figures
issued today. This, it was said, is
believed to be a complete list of casu-
alties.PERSHING BEGINS
MOVE TO BORDEROutposts Withdrawn and Trip
Northward Will Start
Shortly.Withdrawal of General Pershing's
forces from Mexico is under way.
The outposts have already been
drawn in, and the general movement
northward toward the border will fol-
low immediately. This was officially
learned today.Thus the last chapter of the Ameri-
can expedition to get Villa is being
written. And Villa in the meantime
is still at large, now and then making
himself felt in northern Mexico with
raiding and pillaging in the larger
villages.Following Pershing's withdrawal,
the question of lifting the embargo
on arms will immediately come to the
front.There is no intention of lifting the
embargo now, however. It is the de-
sire of this Government to furnish
the Carranza government with all the
arms it needs.It is learned officially no definite
date has been set for sending Ambassa-
dor Fletcher to Mexico City.CHURCHES UNITE
FOR BIG REVIVALAll Protestant Denominations
Will Back Gypsy Smith, Jr.,
Campaign Here.The evangelistic campaign which
Gypsy Smith, Jr., will conduct in the
tabernacle near Sixteenth and V
streets northwest, beginning next
Sunday and continuing until Febru-
ary 25, became interdenominational
today.Although planned, arranged and fi-
nanced by the Presbyterian church of
the city, the revival will have the
active support and work of all Metho-
dist and Baptist ministers and their
congregations in Washington.

Received Acceptances.

The Rev. Dr. John Carpenter Pal-
mer, chairman of the executive com-
mittee of the revival, today received
acceptances of the invitations extend-
ed to Methodists and Baptists to join
in the evangelistic campaign. In ac-
cepting the invitations the two de-
nominations expressed the warmest
thanks for the invitation and pledged
the heartiest and most earnest co-
operation in the revival.Noble said that while he could
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the specific nights on which large
delegations would come to the revival
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participate.

Chair Leader Expected Today.

Prof. Forest Cole, choir leader for
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ITS OWN RATES,
SAYS BETHELLWitness Tells District Commit-
tee of Voluntarily Reduc-
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REDUCTION COST \$104,000

Improved Cable System Renders
Lines Proof Against Worst
Storms.The Chesapeake and Potomac Tele-
phone Company voluntarily reduced
its rates in Washington on February
1, 1916, because we believed we were
earning more money than we were en-
titled to on the investment," F. H.
Bethell, president of the company, told
the House District Committee to-
day.President Bethell, who continued
his opposition to the Lewis bill pro-
viding for Government owned tele-
phones in the District, informed the
committee that the reduction in rates
had decreased the company's revenues
by \$104,000 a year.He devoted most of his time today
to showing how the company had
worked to make Washington's tele-
phone facilities impervious to storms
such as that which isolated the Na-
tional Capital the day President Taft
was inaugurated.

Proof Against Storms Now.

"Nothing short of an earthquake
can again detach Washington from
the rest of the country," said Presi-
dent Bethell.This statement was made in con-
nection with the telephone official's
contention that Government-owned
ship of the lines in Washington would
be productive of inharmonious with re-
gard to the remainder of the systems
throughout the country.While on the witness stand Presi-
dent Bethell was asked many ques-
tions by Congressmen Tinkham,
Cresser, Wheeler, Lloyd, Bailey, and
other members of the committee re-
garding the utilization of telephone
facilities here as compared with other
cities.In response to a question by Con-
gressman Tinkham as to his qualifica-
tions to speak as an expert on the
subject of telephone, President Bethell
told the story of his life, detailing
it from the time he worked on a farm
in Indiana until the present day when
he is president of telephone companies
in seven States.

Set Right On Technicality.

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Kisselous."SUFFS" WON'T TRY
TO PICKET CAPITOLSentinels Will Stick at White
House Gates For
Present.Realizing it is impossible to picket
the many entrances to the Capitol,
the Congressional Union today announced
that no attempt would be made to
station "silent sentinels" about the
building while President Wilson is in
conference there with various law-
makers.Pickets were to have been stationed
there Mondays, Wednesdays, and
Thursdays, the days upon which the
President intends to visit Congress
in the interest of the Administration's
legislative program.Thus far, the cold weather and the
raw winds have kept the number of
available pickets at the White House
to a corporal's guard. The "suffs"
will devote their energies to guard-
ing the White House gates, for the
time being anyway.Advice from New York today was
that Miss Vivian Pierce, of San Fran-
cisco, who has been doing picket duty
here for a couple of weeks, has ar-
ranged to bring to Washington on
Friday, a couple of hundred or more
suffragists, who will spend the day
on guard at the White House.URGE PENSION FOR
WIDOW OF DR. HUNTCommissioners Recommend
\$40 a Month for Woman Be-
raved in Paralysis Fight.With an earnest recommendation
for its passage, the Commissioners
sent to Congress today a bill to pro-
vide a pension of \$40 a month for
Marie Selts Hunt, widow of Dr. Ar-
thur Hunt, a medical inspector of
the health department, who died of
infantile paralysis contracted in the
line of duty.While they have recommended fa-
vorable action on the bill providing
for a teachers' retirement fund and
a police and firemen's relief fund, this
is the first pension legislation ever
sought by the Commissioners for an
individual.Dr. Hunt was appointed an inspec-
tor in the contagious disease service
June 2, 1906.

Inspected Contagious Patients.

His ordinary duties were to visit
and inspect patients with scarlet
fever, tuberculosis, diphtheria, and
other communicable diseases, to ex-
amine persons exposed to such dis-
eases, and to arrange for disinfection
of the premises.July 18 Dr. Hunt was assigned to visit
and keep under observation for a period
of two weeks persons coming to the
District from communities where infan-
tile paralysis prevailed. Between that
date and September 25, he made 115
visits to persons from infected areas,
principally from New York, New Jersey
and Pennsylvania.During the same period his official